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(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
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Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

LETTER REGARDING NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

A Notice to File Corrected Application Papers was issued for this application on May 1, 2008 requesting (a) replacement drawings and (b) a substitute computer readable form (CRF) copy of the Sequence Listing. However, the undersigned was subsequently contacted by Mr. Kevin Little in the office of Patent Processing Services who advised that a new notice had issued on June 24, 2008 to advise the Applicant that it was not necessary to file any response to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers issued on May 1, 2008. A copy of the June 24, 2008 Notice was retrieved from PAIR, and a copy is attached.

Upon reading the June 24, 2008 Notice, the undersigned noted that the new Notice indicated that Applicant could disregard the May 1, 2008 previous Notice "if a new notice is enclosed". The undersigned contacted Mr. Little for clarification, and in a subsequent telephone conversation Mr. Little confirmed that while the language of the June 24, 2008 Notice was not entirely clear, it was not necessary for the Applicant to file any response at this time to the Notice of May 1, 2008. Mr. Little indicated that some problems were encountered in reading Applicants'

previously submitted CRF, but that those problems appear to be with the USPTO computer system, so that it was not necessary for the Applicant to submit a substitute CRF.

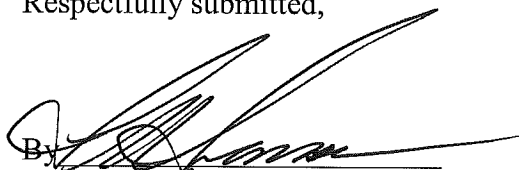
As a result, it is the Applicants' understanding that no response is currently due in connection with the above-identified application. Please advise the undersigned immediately if this understanding is not correct.

If the Examiner has any questions concerning this application, the Examiner is requested to contact Leonard R. Svensson, Reg. No. 30,330 at the telephone number of (858) 792-8855. facsimile communications may be sent to the undersigned at the facsimile number of (858) 792-3785.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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